Youth Services In Newton

















A Resource Guide for Families and Children in Newton





City of Newton 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton, MA 02459

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Dear Residents,

The City of Newton is home to many support services and opportunities for our youth. Our City's schools, parks and recreation department, outreach counseling programs, police youth officers, and many non-profit agencies all work together to make our City a special place for young people to learn and grow.

This Youth Services booklet identifies and describes organizations in our community that provide services to families, children, and teens in Newton. You can also find these and other resources listed on our Youth webpage on the City's website, www.ci.newton.ma.us/Youth.

I hope you take a moment to peruse this booklet and contact any of the agencies and departments that may be of assistance to you and your family. I thank the Department of Health and Human Services, the Newton Youth Commission, and the Youth Interagency Task Force for working together to produce this important resource. Together, we are building a community in which all of our City's youth can thrive.

Sincerely,

David B. Cohen

Mayor

What is in this Guide?

There is an abundance of organizations, activities and resources for families with children from newborn to high school in Newton. Use the:

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See the extensive list of organizations in this booklet. Each organization has a complete listing with contact information and a description of their services.

Quick Reference Guide:

Learn what Newton has to offer, from counseling to camps to Volunteer opportunities. Find out which organizations can be of help to you.

The Newton Public School system has a listing of departments and schools. There is also a list of private schools and community centers.

Additional Resources:

Find a listing of groups at the city and state level that may be of help to you.

This resource booklet has been compiled by the Human and Volunteer Services division of the Health and Human Services Department with participation from the agencies and departments in this booklet. If you know of other agencies that should be included, please call our division at 617-796-1290.

You may access this booklet on-line: www.ci.newton.ma.us/Youth/booklet.pdf

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Charles River ARC

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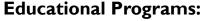
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Newton Police Dept.

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Newton Public Schools

The Newton Public Schools is the largest provider of youth services in the City and serves over 11,000 students each year with academic, recreational, and support services.

Dr. Jeffrey Young, Superintendent

100 Walnut Street Newton, MA 02460 617-559-6000

Website: www.newton.k12.ma.us

Pre-School (3-5 years)

Newton Creative Start (see Communities United, pg. 5)	617-527-6689
Plowshares Child Care Program (Lincoln-Eliot & Franklin School	ls) 6
Special Education Pre-School (Pupil Services & Special Education) 617-559-6025

Early Childhood (K-3)

Early Childhood Programs 100 Walnut St., Newtonville 02460	617-559-6050
Title I Nursery School at Lincoln-Eliot School	617-552-7343

Elementary Schools (K-5)

Angier School	1697 Beacon St., Waban 02468	617-559-9300
Bowen School	280 Cypress St., Newton Ctr 02459	617-559-9330
Burr School	171 Pine St., Auburndale 02466	617-559-9360
Cabot School	229 Cabot St., Newtonville 02460	617-559-9400
Countryside School	191 Dedham St., Newton Highlands 02461	617-559-9450
Franklin School	125 Derby St., West Newton 02165	617-559-9500
Horace Mann School	687 Watertown St., Newtonville 02460	617-559-9510
Lincoln-Eliot School	191 Pearl St., Newton Corner 02458	617-559-9540
Mason-Rice School	149 Pleasant St., Newton Ctr 02459	617-559-9570

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Elementary Schools (K-5) con't

Memorial-Spaulding Scho	ol 250 Brookline St., Newton Ctr	617-559-9600
Peirce School	170 Temple St., West Newton 02465	617-559-9630
Underwood School	101 Vernon St., Newton Corner 02458	617-559-9660
Ward School	10 Dolphin Rd., Newton Ctr 02459	617-559-6450
Williams School	141 Grove St., Auburndale 02466	617-559-6480
Zervas School	30 Beethoven Ave., Waban 02468	617-559-6750

Middle Schools (6-8)

Bigelow	42 Vernon St., Newton Corner 02458	617-552-7800
Charles E. Brown	125 Meadowbrook Rd., Newton Ctr 02459	617-559-6900
Frank A. Day	21 Minot Pl., Newtonville 02460	617-559-9100
Oak Hill	130 Wheeler Rd., Newton Ctr 02459	617-559-9200

High Schools (9-12)

Newton North	360 Lowell Ave., Newtonville 02460	617-559-6200
Newton South	140 Brandeis Rd., Newton Ctr 02459	617-559-6500

Support Services

Prevention/Intervention Counselors offer counseling on relationship issues, drug and alcohol prevention, and substance abuse issues. Counselors provide assessment, support, and individual and group counseling in the schools. Components include parent consultation, school treatment, and court referrals.

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Alison Malkin,	617-559-6237	
Newton North, High School		
Rich Catrambone,	617-559-6500	
Newton South High School		

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After-School Programs	
Angier After School Program	617-965-4416
Bowen After School Care Program	617-969-3130
Burr Community After School Program	617-965-1518
Cabot After School Program	617-964-2749
Countryside Children's Center	617-964-6958
Countryside Children's Center at Upper Falls	617-965-6434
Mason-Rice After School Program	617-244-7260
Memorial-Spaulding Extended Day Program	617-630-5151
Peirce Extended Day Program	617-332-5881
Plowshares Child Care Program	617-527-3755
Rec. Place After School	617-332-7327
Underwood After School Program	617-244-1810
Williams After School Club	617-527-8444
Zervas After School Program	617-965-2655
Summer Programs	
SPACE—Summer Program for Academic & Creative Encounters (for children age 4)	617-559-6147
Summer Academic Support Services (grades 3 -12)	617-796-6000
Partner Organizations	
EDCO Program for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing (grades 6-12)	617-244-3407
METCO	617-559-6132
Newton Child Care Commission & Fund (see pg. 28)	617-332-6723
Newton PTO Council	617-559-6000
Parent Advisory Council for Special Education	617-559-6025
Understanding Our Differences (see pg. 47)	617-559-6075

Newton Private Schools

Brimmer & May				
69 Middlesex Road, Chestnut Hill 02467	617-566-7462			
Chestnut Hill School				
428 Hammond Street, Newton 02467	617-566-4394			
Fessenden School				
250 Waltham Street, Newton 02465	617-964-5350			
Jackson School (Walnut Park Montessori)				
200 Jackson Road, Newton 02458	617-969-1537			
Mt. Alverinia Academy				
20 Manet Road, Newton 02467	617-527-7540			
Mt. Alvernia High School				
790 Centre Street, Newton 02458	617-969-2260			
Newton Country Day				
785 Centre Street, Newton 02458	617-244-4246			
Rashi School				
15 Walnut Park, Newton 02458	617-969-4444			
Solomon Schechter Day School				
Stein Circle, Newton 02459	617-928-9100			

The following pages list the Youth Service agencies in Newton in alphabetical order.

Each agency has a brief description of its services and contact information.

BOOKLET DESIGN: Denise Joseph

Health & Human Services Dept, City of Newton

WEBSITE: Joe Mulvey

Deputy Director, Information Technology, City of Newton

Barry L. Price Rehabilitation Center

Address:

33 Border Street

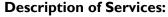
Newton, MA 02465

Phone: 617-332-7477

Website: www.barrypricecenter.org

Contact: Karen Manning, Director of Family Support

E-mail: kmanning@barrypricecenter.org



The Price Center offers individualized support and services to teens and adults with developmental disabilities to develop meaningful relationships with others. We help people develop functional skills so they can participate more fully in their communities. A variety of services build on appropriate interactions, life skills and self- reliance. People with developmental disabilities age 14 and older can access vocational training on site and in the community, training in community living and day habilitation.

ASCENT is our afternoon social club for teens and young adults age 14 to 21. Our focus is on development of life skills and appropriate interactions within the context of social community settings.

Visit our website at: www.barrypricecenter.org/ascent.html. Contact Karen Manning at 617-332-7477 x220 for enrollment information.

Charles River ARC

Phone: 781-972-1058
Website: www.crarc.org

Contact: Sarah Richmann, Director of Family Support

E-mail: srichmann@crarc.org

Description of Services:

Charles River ARC is a non-profit social service agency that provides advocacy and a variety of services to children and adults with mental retardation and related developmental disabilities.

The members of our organization include people with mental

The members of our organization include people with mental retardation, their families and friends, volunteers, and many other people from the communities that we serve.

Special programs include:

- ASPIRE (After-School Program Inclusion, Recreation, Expression)
 is an after-school program designed to encourage children
 to explore their abilities and work and play with others.
- School Vacation Programs are offered every December,
 February, April, June, and August during school vacation weeks.
- Kid's Break Program is a recreational program for children ages 10 and up.
- Teen Dances are designed for young adults, ages 12 to 21.
- Parent's Night/Afternoon Out is offered one Friday evening and one Sunday afternoon per year when parents may drop off their kids at Charles River ARC.

Communities for People

Address:

8 Bennington Street

Newton, MA 02458

Phone: 617-527-0751

Website: www.communities-for-people.org

Contact: Hanna Ricciardi, House Manager

E-mail: hricciardi@communities-for-people.org

Description of Services:

Communities For People is a DSS-funded group home. There is a maximum of six girls who live at the home and participate in the program.

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Communities United, Inc.

Address:

573-B Washington Street

Newton, MA 02458

Phone: 617-581-6780

Website: www.communitiesunitedinc.org

Contacts: Kathy Young and Eileen Schwalm

E-mail: emcyoung@communitiesunitedinc.org

E-mail: eschwalm@communitiesunitedinc.org

Description of Services:

CUI offers a variety of funding sources to help parents meet their preschool and child care needs. CUI also provides parents with tuition assistance through State funding. For families who don't qualify for assistance, private fee slots are available.

We provide both half-day (including Head Start) and full-day programs for preschool age children (2.9 years to kindergarten age) and toddler care (including early Head Start) at two Newton sites: Newton Creative Start at 573-B Washington Street and at Warren House, 1600 Washington Street.

Genesis II

Address:

Family Residential Treatment/Shelter

Newton, MA 02458

Phone: 617-332-9905

Website: www.ccab.org

Contact: Kathleen Garrison, Director

Description of Services:

Genesis II, a program supported by Catholic Charities Association of Boston, is a family residential treatment program for women with substance abuse and their children.

Treatment services include substance abuse counseling, case management, and parenting education.

Clients are referred through the Institute for Health and Recovery, located at 349 Broadway, Cambridge,

Phone: 617-661-3991

Website: www.healthrecovery.org **E-mail:** IHR@healthrecovery.org

Eligibility for services is also determined by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Substance Abuse: 617-624-5111.

Jewish Family & Children's Service

Address (Headquarters):

1430 Main Street

Waltham, MA 02451

Phone: 781-647-5327

Website: www.jfcsboston.org **E-mail:** info@jfcsboston.org

Contacts:

Doreen Cummings: Individual Living & Work Support Program

Services for People with Disabilities

Meredith Joy: Center for Early Relationship Support

Wayne Kessler: Director-Center for Family Assistance

Description of Services:

Center for Early Relationship Support: This program deals with newborns and their families. It serves any new family that may be in need of support, clinician intervention, or information. Programs include:

- Visiting Moms: home visits by experienced mom volunteers
- Early Connections: therapeutic service for new mothers facing emotional challenges in adjusting to parenthood
- Healthy Families: home visits and support groups for pregnant and parenting adolescents
- Specialized Services: feeding, sleep and post-NICU support, nurturing rooms, and parent consultations
- Support Groups: sessions for pregnant women and new mothers & fathers on a range of topics—postpartum adjustment, twins, & pregnancy loss



Jewish Family & Children's Service

Center for Family Assistance offers programs and services for families and individuals in need of food, housing, clothing, safety, access to medical care and legal representation.

Programs are available to those who meet income qualifications and include:

- Bet Tzedek: referrals for legal assistance
- Community Health Access Project: health resources
- Family Table: Jewish food pantry
- Gifts of Hope: financial assistance and case management
- Russian-speaking Services: resettlement assistance & speciaized services for teens, single-parent families and the elderly

Family & Child Mental Health Services:

Social workers, psychologists, and psychiatrists provide assessment and treatment for a range of emotional problems.

Kol Isha: Teen Safe Program

The Teen Safe Program works to prevent and intervene in abuse in teen dating relationships. Services provided include individual and group counseling, safety planning, court accompaniment, referrals, outreach & informational programs for synagogues, camps, youth groups, religious schools, and day schools. All services are free and confidential.

Services for People with Disabilities:

Services for children and adults with special needs and their families, including case management, service planning, support for activities of daily living, social skills groups, and advocacy. Services include:

- Disabilities Resource Network: information and referrals for people with disabilities and their caregivers
- Individual Living and Work Support Program: services to individuals with disabilities who live in independent settings

John M. Barry Boys & Girls Club

Address:

675 Watertown Street

Newton, MA 02460

Phone: 617-630-2066

Website: www.newtonbgc.com

Contact: David Sellers, Jr., Program Director

E-mail: dsellersjr@newtonbgc.com

Description of Services:

Any boy or girl between the ages of 6 & 18 may join. Membership is annual; non-members may sign up to spend one afternoon at the Club before signing up.

The Barry Boys & Girls Club offers athletics, arts & cultural enrichment activities, computer access, summer camp, and social recreation.

Special programs include:

- Kids Corp. for children ages 6 to 10
- Hip Hop to Fitness for ages 6 to 12, a dance & physical fitness program
- Torch Club for ages 10 to 12, which helps to develop teamwork, leadership, and entrepreneurial skills
- The Learning Center which offers individual tutoring, SAT preparation, Book-of-the-Month Club, science projects, and reading marathons
- Recycling Kids for ages 6 to 11, which educates kids about recycling through activities, field trips, and nature projects.

Mayor's Office for Cultural Affairs

Address:

Newton Cultural Center

225 Nevada Street

Newton, MA 02460

Phone: 617-796-1540

Website: www.ci.newton.ma.us/parks **Contact:** Linda Plaut, Arts in the Park

E-mail: lplaut@newtonma.gov

Description of Services:

Year-round cultural and environmental programs to promote artists and the arts. The Center encourages early childhood enrichment in art, music, and creative movement and works closely with the Newton Pride Committee.

Programs include:

- Art, music, & creative movement for toddlers
- Summer programs for children (18 months to 6 years old)
- Theatre & puppetry performances
- Youth theatre workshops
- Heritage Festivals
- Carr School PlaySpace
- Art and Craft Shows
- Heartbreak Hill International Youth Race
- KidsFest
- Leo L. Levi All-American Site Selection Garden
- Halloween Window Decorating Contest
- Holiday Lighting
- Mayor's New Year's Open House
- Newton Youth Players

Youth Service Agencies

MEDA - Multi-service Eating Disorders Assn.

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Address:

92 Pearl Street

Newton, MA 02458

Phone: 617-558-1881

Website: www.medainc.org

Contact:

Kristin Fabbri, M.A., Director of Education and Outreach

E-mail: kristin.fabbri@medainc.org

Description of Services:

MEDA is a national eating disorder treatment & prevention organization. Our mission is to prevent the continuing spread of eating disorders through educational awareness and early detection.

MEDA serves as a support network and resource for clients, clinicians, educators, and the general public. We offer workshops, educational materials, and individual appointments for assessments, consultations, intakes, or coaching sessions.

In addition, we offer weekly support groups led by trained and supervised facilitators who are fully recovered. Group sessions are fee-based per visit and are on-going. The *Open Forum for Hope & Inspiration* is a free (donations accepted) group meeting which is held the first Saturday of each month where someone shares his/her story of recovery from an eating disorder.



Middlesex County Juvenile Court

Address:

38 Linden Street

Waltham, MA 02452

Phone: 781-894-4500×282

Contact: Debra D'Arcy, Juvenile Probation Officer

E-mail: debra.darcy@jud.state.ma.us

Description of Services:

The Middlesex County Court oversees juveniles in Newton who are involved in the court system.

Probation Supervision includes the following services:

- Appropriate referrals to Court
- Supervision of all juveniles placed on probation
- Referral of juveniles to appropriate community resources
- Enforcement of Court orders

CHINS (Child in Need of Services) is a program that serves stubborn, runaway, truant, or habitual school offenders. Services include:

- Assessment to determine whether CHINS is appropriate
- Development of terms of agreement with involved parties
- Referral of juveniles and parents to appropriate community resources
- Determination of appropriate consequences for non-compliance

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Newton Boy Scouts

Address:

490 Union Avenue, Framingham, MA 01702

Phone: 508-872-6551

Website: www.thescoutzone.org/youth.html

Contact: Sharyn Roberts

E-mail: sharyn@neovana.com

Description of Services:

The Boy Scouts prepares young people to make ethical and moral choices by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. The Cub Scouts is for boys in grades 1-5. A Troop is for boys in grades 6-12. Venturing is for girls and boys ages 14 - 21.

Newton Girl Scouts

Address:

60 Cedar Street, Newton, MA 02459

Phone: 617-671-1223

Website: www.ptgirlscouts.org

Contact: Debbie Terman

E-mail: newton@ptgirlscouts.org

Description of Services:

Girl Scouts provides a unique opportunity for girls to work with adults to plan activities which build leadership, develop relationships and values, and serve the community

Youth Service Agencies

Newton Child Care Commission & Fund

Address:

100 Walnut Street

Newton, MA 02460

Phone: 617-332-6723

Website: www.newtonchildcare.org

Contacts:

Jenny Gamson, Executive Director

E-mail: jenny_gamson@newton.k12.ma.us

Ann M. Picariello, Assistant Director

E-mail: ann_picariello@newton..k12.ma.us

Description of Services:

The Newton Child Care Commission & Fund's goals are to promote, support, and coordinate the City's child care initiative which includes:

- Coordination of child care services to Newton residents
- Informing parents about child care options
- Sponsoring a Scholarship Program for tuition assistance to low and moderate income working parents
- Referral to other organizations and agencies when appropriate
- Sponsoring single parent support groups
- Creating and making available updated lists of all licensed child care providers, child care centers, and after-school programs
- Maintaining and keeping current all information on the website
- Providing access to free or reduced cost CPR, first aid, and early childhood training for child care providers
- Supporting and advocating for after-school programs

🗓 Making a difference in our community

Newton Community Partnerships for Children

Address:

100 Walnut Street

Newton, MA 02460

Phone: 617-559-6065

Contacts:

Beverly Mobilia, Coordinator

E-mail: beverly mobilia@newton.k12.ma.us

Ann M. Picariello, Administrative Assistant

E-mail: ann_picariello@newton.k12.ma.us

Description of Services:

Newton Community Partnerships for Children (NCPC) offers:

- Childcare scholarships for eligible families with preschool aged children
- Teacher workshops and professional development opportunities for early childhood educators
- Parent workshops open to the entire community
- Resource lending library for parents and early childhood professionals
- Early childhood specialist, behavior specialist, and language/ literacy specialist to visit preschools and childcare programs for consultation
- NAEYC, CDA, NAFCC accreditation support and assistance to all programs
- Referrals to community resources and publications such as newsletters and brochures

Youth Service Agencies

Newton Community Service Center

Address:

492 Waltham Street

Newton, MA 02465

Phone: 617-969-5906

Website: www.ncscweb.org

Description of Services:

NCSC is a multi-service agency that strengthens individuals, families and communities through educational programs and a network of support services. We promote social and emotional wellness and continuity of care. We serve a racially, ethnically, economically, and culturally diverse population from Newton, and surrounding communities.

Programs for CHILDREN & FAMILIES:

Early Education and Care: Center- based education and care and home-based care for infants through preschoolers and an after-school program for children in grades K - 6. Contact Jody Epis x121.

After School Program: Recreational and educational activities for children in kindergarten through sixth grade. Contact Jody Epis x121.

Summer Day Camp/Recreation Program:

Day Camp for children K thru 8, vacation activity weeks for children in grades K-6, health and wellness programs and weekend youth basketball offered by the West Suburban YMCA at NCSC's gym. Contact: Jennifer Capello McAuliffe, $\times 224$

Parent Child Home Program: Home-visiting, early-literacy program to enhance the verbal and cognitive skills of children. Contact: Debbie Brush. x113

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Newton Community Service Center

The Parents Program: offers parents/caregivers and children individual and family therapy, case management and parenting support. Provides services to pregnant and parenting teens. Contact: Susan Sklan x 125

Youth & Teen Services:

Contact: Andrew Spooner, Sr. Youth Director

Phone: 617-244-1404

Student Central/Teen Reach: Student Central, a drop in facility at 429 Cherry St, West Newton, offers a wide range of teenplanned activities. Teen Reach includes individual/group counseling, mentoring; court-restitution program; school vacation week camps and programs. The goal is to train teens in leadership development and community service. Contact: Ellen Manning, Senior Youth Coordinator.

NEW Academy: NEW Academy offers teens with mental health and/or adjustment issues a transitional, therapeutic education program. Contact: Jenny MacIver, Program Director

Higher Ground – The program melds outdoor adventure, building construction, sports and recreational activities with leadership-training, team-building and self-discovery projects at the West Suburban YMCA's Camp Frank A. Day

Community Supports & Prevention Services: Child Assault Prevention (CAP) Program. A professionally supervised, volunteer-driven program that teaches elementary school children simple strategies to reduce their vulnerability to assault and violence.

Enough Abuse Campaign: This campaign trains professional and parent groups to play a role in preventing child sexual abuse. Contact: Gail Sommer.

Newton Health & Human Services

Health Department

Address:

1294 Centre Street, Newton, MA 02459

Newton, MA 02465

Phone: 617-796-1420

Website: www.ci.newton.ma.us

Contacts:

David Naparstek, Commissioner of Health and Human Services

Email: dnaparstek@newtonma.gov

Linda Walsh, Director of Health Services

Email: linda_walsh@newton.k12.ma.us

Description of Services:

The Department of Health & Human Services responds to the needs of Newton residents through the process of community support in the areas of health promotion and disease prevention. Our mission is to protect, promote, and sustain the health, harmony, and well being of all Newton residents, in a culturally sensitive, customer friendly manner. Our focus is on prevention. We are a multi-service agency providing advocacy for disabled inviduals, resources for families and volunteer opportunities.

The Health Division oversees the school health services in the Newton Public Schools, provides school nurses and public health nurses to residents in need, provides youth outreach mental health services, tobacco education and enforcement and staffs the youth interagency task force.

Newton Health & Human Services

Human & Volunteer Services Division

Address:

1000 Commonwealth Ave, Newton, MA 02459

Website: www.ci.newton.ma.us

Contacts:

Beverly Droz, Director of Human & Vol. Services

Phone: 617-796-1290

Email: bdroz@newtonma.gov

Ana Gonzalez, Community Social Worker

Phone: 617-796-1282

Email: agonzalez@newtonma.gov

Description of Services:

The Director of Human & Volunteer Services Director serves as the City's Section 504/ADA Coordinator, and oversees and staffs:

- Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities (MCPD)
- Newton Human Rights Commission
- Newton's Office for Volunteer Services
- NewtonSERVES Day of Community Service
- Newton Youth Commission
- Senior Tax Work-off Program
- Youth Interagency Task Force

The Community Social Worker provides information, referral and outreach services to Newton residents including information about fuel assistance, Mass Health, Food Stamps, shelters, emergency food, Social Security Disability, medical & legal referrals, housing, support & counseling, Transitional Aid to Families with Dependant Children.

Youth Service Agencies

Newton Police Department

Address:

1321 Washington Street

Newton, MA 02465

Phone: 617-796-2100

Website: www.ci.newton.ma.us

Contact: Lt. Bruce Apotheker, Community Services Bureau

Phone: 617-796-2190

E-mail: bapotheker@newtonma.gov

Description of Services:

The Police Department has worked to make patrol officers more accessible, through educational programs in the public schools and at community events.

The Community Services Bureau is responsible for all juvenile issues and civil rights violations.

Newton Youth Commission

Address:

City Hall

Human and Volunteer Services Division

1000 Commonwealth Avenue

Newton, MA 02459

Phone: 617-796-1290

Website: www.ci.newton.ma.us

Contacts: Joe DeVito, Youth Commission Chairperson

Beverly Droz, Director of Human and Volunteer Services

E-mail: bdroz@newtonma.gov

Description of Services:

The Newton Youth Commission is a volunteer body of adults and high school students working together to empower youth. The Commission sponsors annual teen events and educational seminars on health and prevention issues. The Commission co-sponsors the Youth Interagency Task Force.

The goals of the Newton Youth Commission are to:

- Encourage youth to take a leadership role in the community and to act as spokespersons for their peers
- Inform and provide youth with opportunities and resources to meet their needs
- Create and implement information programs (such as education seminars for high school students)
- Unify teens within Newton
- Identify youth issues and problems and find solutions to address them
- Increase communication and connections between the agencies within Newton that provide youth services.

Newton Parks & Recreation

Address:

70 Crescent Street

Newton, MA 02466

Phone: 617-796-1500

Website: www.ci.newton.ma.us/parks

Contact: Stephanie Pelkowsky, Recreation Manager

E-mail: spelkowsky@newtonma.gov

Description of Services:

The Newton Parks & Recreation Department offers a wide range of recreational programs year-round for tots through teens.

School-Year Programs

- Kids Korner, Special Olympics, Night Watch Child Care Program, winter swimming and lessons
- A variety of programs and lessons at Newton North Indoor Complex and at Newton South Recreation Complex
- Funtastic Fridays exclusively for 5th graders

Summer Programs

- Camps for ages 3-15
- Recreation Camps: Albemarle Acres, Centre Acres, and Kids Korner
- Sports Camps & Clinics: A Step Ahead Basketball, Tennis, Volleyball, Golf, All Sports at Pelligrini
- Specialty Camps: Outdoor Adventure and Basic Fresh Water Fishing
- Camps for children with special needs: Camp Echo Bridge
- Swimming and lessons at Gath Pool and Crystal Lake

Newton Parks & Recreation

Description of Services (continued):

Lessons

Tennis, Learn-to-Ski, Snowboarding, Smash Volleyball, Badminton, Golf, Swimming, Ice Skating, Basic Fresh Water Fishing.

Fantastic Vacation Programs- Dec. Feb & April

- · For elementary and middle school students
- Sports Clinics Basketball, Pitching
- Family movie nights
- Family trips

Special Events

- · Paddy's Road Race
- Kevin Clancy Basketball Tournament
- Annual Camp Fair

Job Opportunities: year round for youth ages 15 & older

Newton Therapeutic Recreation Program

Mark Kelley, Director 617-796-1527 Newton Special Athletes, Parks & Recreation Department Bowling, Golf, Ice Skating, Rowing, Soccer, Swimming, Tennis, and Track

A Lifetime of FUN with Newton Parks and Recreation!

Project INTERFACE

Address: c/o Warmlines,

225 Nevada St, Newton MA 02460

Website: www.projectinterface.org

Contacts: Beth Rogan

E-mail: brogan@warmlines.org

Phone: 617-332-3666 ex124

Margaret Hannah

Phone: 617-332-3666 ex411

Description of Services:

Project INTERFACE is an initiative to improve the integration of mental health services within school systems and their greater community. The model of Project INTERFACE aims above all to help break down the "silos" that exist within community agencies or systems that can often hinder access to mental health services. By enhancing communication and cooperation between agencies, Project INTERFACE allows each organization to work more effectively on behalf of the students it serves.

The collaborative model of Project INTERFACE is supported by the <u>Massachusetts School of Professional Psychology</u> and its Freedman Center for Child and Family Development and other partnering schools and agencies in the communities of Newton, Waltham, and West Roxbury.

REACH Beyond Domestic Violence

Address: PO Box 540024, Waltham MA 02454

Contact: Joanne Patterson,

Community Outreach & Education Coordinator

Phone: 781-891-0724 ex105

E-mail: jo@reachma.org

Description of Services:

In our 27 year history of working in metrowest Boston communities, REACH has grown from an all-volunteer hotline to a comprehensive domestic violence agency serving thousands of people every year. We seek to empower survivors through intervention and advocacy programs, and partner with community leaders on prevention and education efforts. In addition to our education and outreach, shelter, hotline, support group, advocacy and child therapy services, REACH has developed new and innovative programs to increase our impact.

- Teens P.A.V.E. the Way, now in its fifth year, is a statewide summit to train teens as peer educators, helping to break the cycle of relationship abuse that starts at a young age.
- Our Latinas "Know Your Rights!" training bridges cultural barriers within our legal system for Latina survivors.
- The Hope Project is a unique program to serve the marginalized population of prostituted and substance-abusing women who have experienced relationship violence.
- All our programs and services are free of charge, and we support survivors in making the best decisions for themselves and their families.

Riverside Alternative Youth Services

Address: Riverside Community Care

THE HELP YOU NEED CLOSE TO HOME

255 Highland Avenue

Needham, MA 02494

Phone: 781-433-0672

Website: www.riversidecc.org

Contact: Nanci Ginty Butler, Program Coordinator

Description of Services:

Funded in part by the City of Newton, Riverside Alternative Youth Services provides services to promote the stability, growth, and safety of youth, ages 12-18, and their families who live in Newton, Weston, and Needham.

The Alternative Youth Services program provides intensive, family-based support during a crisis to help teens and their families make healthy choices. Services are individually tailored to meet the unique needs of each situation and family. Alternative Youth Services typically works with families for 3 to 4 months and are voluntary, home-based, and free of charge to families residing in Newton, Weston, or Needham.

Services provided include:

- Family counseling, support, and stabilization
- Parent support
- Linkage to resources
- Advocacy
- Information and referral

Riverside Emergency Services



Phone: 800-529-5077

Website: www.riversidecc.org

Contact: Kate O'Connell, Program Director

Description of Services:

Twenty-four hour, 7 day a week, on-site and mobile teams provide psychiatric crisis assessment, emergency medication evaluation, and intervention for residents of Newton and surrounding areas.

The Emergency Team uses a multi-disciplinary approach to intervention and treatment and collaborates closely with community resources.

For 24-hour consultation, call 800-529-5077.

Riverside Family Partnership

Address:

Riverside Community Care

255 Highland Avenue

Needham, MA 02494

Phone: 781-433-0672

Website: www.riversidecc.org

Contact Stephanie McDonough, Program Coordinator

Description of Services:

Riverside Family Partnership is a program provided by Riverside Community Care and is designed to provide intensive home or community-based services to children and adolescents, ages 3-19, and their families who are in need of support and intervention in order to avert or manage a crisis.

The children and adolescents who are referred to Riverside Family Partnership are experiencing mental health difficulties and are often in crisis.

Riverside Family Partnership is financially supported by the Department of Mental Health, and all services are available to families who reside within the Department of Mental Health's service area, regardless of the ability to pay.

Referrals are made through the Department of Mental Health 781-401-9718.

Riverside Life Skills Program

Address:

Riverside Community Care

255 Highland Avenue

2nd floor

Needham, MA 02494

Phone: 781-433-0672

Website: www.riversidecc.org

Contact: Katie McCarthy, Program Coordinator

Description of Services:

The Riverside Life Skills Center is a Massachusetts Department of Mental Health-funded psychiatric day program. Life Skills provides services to adolescents, ages 12-18, with emotional difficulties who are experiencing crises which may have disrupted or compromised school and home life. For these youth, the program may serve as an alternative to hospitalization or as a transition from the hospital to a school setting and outpatient services.

The goal of Life Skills is to increase a young person's functioning so that he/she is able to return to a school setting.

For further information, contact the Department of Mental Health, 781-401-9718.

Riverside Newton Youth Outreach

Address:

Riverside Community Care

Brigham Community House

20 Hartford Street

Newton, MA 02461

Phone: 617-796-4902

Website: www.riversidecc.org

Contact: Marianne Cook,

Outreach Clinician & Intake Coordinator

Description of Services:

Funded in part by the City of Newton, Newton Youth Outreach provides year-round outreach services for middle and high school-aged youth and their families who live or attend school in Newton.

Services provided include individual, family, and group counseling, especially tailored for those who are less amenable to traditional outpatient counseling.

Clinicians are able to meet with students in their schools, in the community, or at the Riverside Newton Youth Outreach office at the Brigham House in Newton Highlands.

Access to psychopharmacological services is also available through Riverside's Outpatient Center in Newton.

Riverside Outpatient Center

Address:

Riverside Community Care

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64 Eldridge Street

Newton, MA 02458

Phone: 617-969-4925

Website: www.riversidecc.org

Contacts:

Audra Gilsing, Intake Coordinator

Ashley Smith, Program Director

Description of Services:

Our primary focus is outpatient mental health and substance abuse treatment and counseling. We also provide psychopharmacology for residents of Newton and surrounding areas. We accept most health insurance plans and also offer a sliding scale.

Please contact us for information about our parent support groups.

Youth Service Agencies

The Second Step

Address:

P.O. Box 600223

Newton, MA 02460

Phone: 617-965-3999

Website: www.thesecondstep.org

Contact: Claire Brennan, Coordinator, Child & Family Services

E-Mail: brennan@thesecondstep.org

Description of Services:

Domestic violence does not discriminate. It can happen to anyone. The Second Step has an outreach program which provides resources and stabilization services to women in the Greater Boston area who are in abusive situations and have left their abusers and need continued services or support.

The Second Step provides transitional services to survivors of domestic abuse and their children, including:

- Transitional housing
- · Assistance with finding employment or training
- Children's services

Understanding Our Differences

Address:

P.O. Box 600671

Newton, MA 02460

Phone: 617-332-5951

Website: www.understandingourdifferences.org

Contacts: Beth Mendel, Executive Director

E-mail: beth_mendel@understandingourdifferences.org

Carol Weigart, Newton Public Schools, Program Director

E-mail: carol weigert@newton.k12.ma.us

Description of Services:

We offer disability awareness educational programs and services in schools and in the workplace.

The Understanding Our Differences award-winning curriculum in the schools promotes inclusion, friendship, and respect in schools. Each of the units provides information and experiential learning activities on the following disability topics:

- Blindness & Visual Impairment
- Chronic Medical Conditions—asthma, diabetes, & epilepsy
- Deafness & Hard of Hearing
- Developmental Disabilities
- Learning Disabilities
- Physical Disabilities
- Autism Spectrum Disorder

Youth Service Agencies

WarmLines

Address:

225 Nevada Street

Newton, MA 02460

Phone: 617-244-INFO

Website: www.warmlines.org

Contact: Beth Basnight, Executive Director

E-mail: info@warmlines.org

Description of Services:

WarmLines is a private, not-for-profit organization based in Newton since 1978. Parents turn to WarmLines Community Services when they want to meet one another, locate resources, learn more about parenting, or find programs for children. Services include:

www.warmlines.org

- Support groups—New Babies/New Moms and New Babies/New Parents
- Music & Movement classes for children
- Child Care Connection and Day Camp Connection, computerized referral services
- Parenting Workshops
- Guide to Newton Preschool Programs
- Speakers Bureau

West Suburban YMCA

Address:

West Suburban YMCA. Not just a place to belong!

276 Church Street

Newton, MA 02458

Phone: 617-244-6050

Website: www.ymcainnewton.org

Contacts: Annemarie Cobb, Director, Volunteers

E-mail: annemariec@westsuburbanymca.org

Gregg Ellenberg, Director, Youth and Teen Director

E-mail: gregge@westsuburbanymca.org

Description of Services:

The YMCA is a community service organization that offers activities for the entire family. There are recreational activities, day & overnight trips, summer camps, indoor and outdoor sports. Special programs include:

- Kids Night Out & Band Nights for youth (Fridays)
- Global Youth/Teen Services
- Family Wellness Program
- Indoor and Outdoor Sports Clinics
- Full-day preschool and after school, and morning childcare for infants and toddlers
- Summer day camp (Camp Chickami in Wayland)
- Overnight summer camp (Camp Frank A. Day in E. Brookfield)
- Preschool camp (Camp Polliwog) at the YMCA in Newton
- Week-long summer programs featuring sports and recreational activities at the YMCA in Newton

We offer scholarships for all of those who qualify! 4

Youth Interagency Task Force

Address:

Human and Volunteer Services Division

1000 Commonwealth Ave.

Newton, MA 02459

Contact: Beverly Droz

Phone: 617-796-1290

E-mail: bdroz@newtonma.gov

The Youth Interagency Task Force (YITF) has representatives from all known youth service providers in the City of Newton including non-profit agencies, City Departments and Newton Public Schools.

The YITF meets quarterly to share information and address issues of concern and importance related to youth. Typically meetings begin with a brief presentation related to youth issues followed by time for representatives to share information about their agencies and programs.

The initial focus of the YITF was to identify and take an inventory of youth services that exist in Newton and to determine how to let citizens know about those services.

This Task Force provides a central link for those working with youths of all ages. We thank the many participating representatives and agencies who have so generously given of their time to serve on this Task Force.

Recreation & Community Centers

Newton's Community Centers offer recreation and sports activities as well as rental facilities.

Brigham Community House	617-527-3308
20 Hartford Street, Newton Highlands Office #: 617-527-2887 (Dr. Staulo, Boa	ard Chair)
Emerson Community Center	617-969-1657
45 Pettee Street, Newton Upper Falls	
Hyde Community Center 90 Lincoln Street, Newton Highlands	617-527-4933
Lower Falls Community Center	617-552-7056
545 Grove Street, Newton Lower Falls Newton Community Service Center	617-969-5906
492 Waltham Street, Newton Website: www.ncscweb.org	
Newton North Indoor Complex	617-552-7127
360 Lowell Avenue, Newtonville	
Newton South Recreation Complex 140 Brandeis Road, Newton Center	617-796-1500

Baseball Leagues

Newton Little Leagues (ages 5-12)

Newton Central Little League E-mail: nurczynski@comcast.net Newton East Little League www.eteamz.com/newtoneastll

e-mail: nellbaseball@aol.com 617-332-8062

Newton North Little League

www.newtonnorthll.org

E-mail: chrisbanks@rcn.com

Chris Banks 617-584-6655

Newton South Little League

www.newtonsouthll.org

E-mail: info@newtonsouthll.org

Elliott M. Loew 617-969-2660

Newton West Little League

www.newtonwestll.org

E-mail: info@newtonwestll.org

Newton Senior Youth Leagues (ages 13-14)

http://newtonyouthbaseball.org

Babe Ruth Baseball

e-mail: emlpc@comcast.net

Elliot Loew

Senior Youth Baseball

Jerry Sack 617-969-7717

Girl's Softball

www.newtongirlssoftball.org Doug Clott

Youth Sports

Basketball

Girls Basketball Cliff Utstein cliffu@accurev.com
NAA Basketball Fred Stern 781-433-7022

Football

NAA Football Craig Gilmartin 617-527-KICK

Hockey

www.newtonyouthhockey.com president@newtonyouthhockey.com

Lacrosse

Girls Lacrosse Rick Lenfest 617-244-6624 Lacrosse Bussey Adam 617-965-5451

Soccer

Kindergarten Soccer

www.kindergartensoccer.org **E-mail:** ksoccer@rcn.com

Girls Soccer

www.newtongirlssoccer.org

Newton Youth Soccer

www.newtonsoccer.org

Tal Sabbagh 617-559-0903

Swim Team

Swim Team Mary & Scott Pohlman 617-527-7177

Additional City Resources

After School Programs:		
Jewish Community Center	617-558-6496	
John M. Barry Boys & Girls Club	617-630-2066	
Newton Community Service Center	617-969-5906 ×123	
Rec Place After School, Inc.	617-332-7327	
YMCA Live Y'ers	617-244-6050	
EDCO Prog. for Deaf & Hard of Hearing	617-244-3407	
Families for Depression Awareness www.familyaware.org	781-890-0220	
Innerfaith Counseling Service	617-332-3856	
Mentors in Violence Prevention Program		
Newton North High School	617-559-6243	
Newton Community Service Center		
Adolescent Substance Abuse Service	617-969-5906 ×150	
Newton Free Library		
Children's Programs	617-796-1370	
Newton Therapeutic Recreation	617-796-1527	
(formerly Newton Special Olympics Program)		

Additional City Resources

Newton-Wellesley Hospital	
Pediatric Emergency Department	617-243-6193
Office for Volunteer Services	617-796-1290
Special Needs Moms	617-332-8771
REACH Beyond Domestic Violence	800-899-4000
WarmLines Parent Resources	617-244-4636
Wellness Community	617-332-1919
(services for cancer patients and their familie	es)
Zola Center for Persons with Disabilities	617-277-5131
(located at Brigham Community House)	

Additional State Resources

Department of Mental Health	
Case Management Office	781-401-9718
Riverside Emergency Services in Norwood	800-529-5077
(Department of Mental Health psychiatric emergency coverage)	
Department of Public Health	
Bureau of Substance Abuse	617-624-5111
Department of Social Services	800-769-4615
(Child Abuse & Neglect Hotline)	
Mass. Substance Abuse Helpline	800-327-5050
Office of Child Care Services	617-472-2881
Parental Stress Line	800-632-8188
United Way of Mass. Bay	617-624-8000
Very Special Arts/Massachusetts	617-350-7713
Women, Infants, and Children Program	617-789-2439

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